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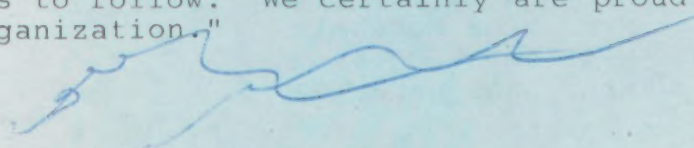
## "BUZZ" WOOD CHOSEN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS FACULTY MEMBER OF YEAR

Mr. Forrest "Buzz" Wood, a member of the Troy State University at Dothan faculty for the past ten years, has recently been selected as the School of Business Faculty Member of the Year for 1985-1986.

"I was totally astounded," a surprised Wood exclaimed as he received a \$100 check for his selection. It is the first time that we've had an award that I'm aware of to honor a faculty member. I think it's a great idea."

Dr. R. Dean Davis, Dean of the School of Business, expressed his agreement with the choice of Wood. "This is the first year we have given an award to honor the outstanding achievements of one of our School of Business faculty members," Davis stated.

"Mr. Wood has long been recognized at TSUD for his hard work and his dedication to students. He is one of the primary reasons we have a successful computer science program, and he sets a fine example for other faculty members to follow. We certainly are proud to have him in our organization."



The award for the outstanding faculty member is made possible by the TSUD School of Business Advisory Council, a group that consists of area business representatives who act as external advisors.

#### ACTIVITIES OF PRESIDENT THOMAS HARRISON

- Attended Bi-Racial Study Group Christmas Party - Dec. 4
- Attended 1986 Annual Meeting of Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Atlanta, GA - Dec. 8-10
- Met with ACHE representatives to review TSUD Annual Planning Statements - Dec. 11
- Attended United Way General Committee meeting - Dec. 19
- Participated in meeting of the Council of Presidents, Montgomery - Jan. 6
- Met with Greater TSUD Development Fund Committee - Jan. 9
- Attended Bi-Racial Study Group meeting - Jan. 14
- Attended swearing-in ceremonies for Doug Valeska - Jan. 20
- Attended ACHE Budget Hearings - Jan. 23
- Guest Speaker at Dothan-Houston County Kiwanis Club - Jan. 27

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#### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

4	Mr. Alvin Cooper
10	Mr. Frank Walker
10	Mr. Forrest (Buzz) Wood
4	Dr. Edwin Baxley
6	Mr. Thomas Harrison
7	Dr. Ronald Bae
9	Mr. Khamis Bilbeisi
3	Mrs. Nina Marshall
4	Mrs. Lesa Rogers
5	Mrs. Lana Ward



## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

February 1-4, Dr. Alan Belsches will serve on the Visiting Committee for accreditation of Houston Academy. Dr. Belsches' review of Figures of the Hero in Southern Narrative by Michael Kreyling has been accepted for publication in The Alabama Literary Review, a new literary magazine at Troy State University at Troy.

Dr. Eugene Bergquist traveled to Georgia Tech to attend a conference on the Environmental Aspects of Toxic Waste Disposal. A sudden snow storm caused the meeting to be postponed until May.

In a general effort to establish stronger ties and mutually beneficial relationships between the business/industrial community and TSUD, Dr. Dean Davis has met with the American Society for Quality Control, the Small Business and Education Committee of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, Southeast Alabama Medical Center, Sony, and other organizations.

Dr. Patricia Fritchie's recent activities include reading "Cajun Night Before Christmas" at the annual Christmas banquet of the Alabama Association of University Women and reading "A Certain Small Shepherd" to the Legal Auxiliary at its annual Christmas luncheon. Besides appearing on Ann Varnum's "Morning Show" to promote the Young Author's Conference to be held at TSUD in February, Dr. Fritchie presented a PTO program to the Fort Rucker Dependent Schools on "Helping Your Child Become a Better Reader" and conducted a voluntary field trip for majors in elementary education to Landmarks Park and Farley Nuclear facility.

For a meeting sponsored by Charter Woods Hospital, Dr. Adair W. Gilbert served as moderator for a discussion group composed of representatives from area businesses. The topics for discussion included concerns related to measurement of the Quality of Work Life and the impact various programs have on employee relations.

In December, Dr. J. Wyatt Grimmer attended the ACHE meeting for chief academic officers and the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



Along with others from TSUD, Dr. Grimmer attended the ACHE Budget Hearings in Montgomery. In February, a team from the Alabama State Department of Education will visit TSUD for evaluation of faculty and admission of students in teacher education; later in the month, Dr. Grimmer will attend meeting of ALACTE in Montgomery.

Dr. Robert and Mrs. Laurette Long plan to attend the Midsouth Academy of Economics and Finance annual meeting in Mobile, February 19-21.

On February 6-7, Dr. Priscilla McArthur will attend the meeting of the Alabama Association of Historians in Tuscaloosa. Dr. Carl N. Degler of Stanford University will deliver the dinner address on "The Nature of History."

Mrs. Gayle Oberst has recently conducted two workshops: an in-service training program in the Career Incentive Program for the Troy City School System and a workshop for the Alabama Department of Education in Montgomery. Mrs. Oberst attended the Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee meeting, the ACHE Budget Hearings, the ACHE meeting for financial administrators, and the Advisory Board meeting for the Kellogg Foundation.

On January 26, Dr. Sarah Patrick presented a workshop at the Eighth District Meeting of the Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Enterprise. The workshop was entitled "VAP 'em Early" and dealt with Volume, Area, and Perimeter at the Middle School level.

Dr. Mary Jo Pollman attended meetings of the Wiregrass Association for Young Children in December and January, and in February she plans to attend the meeting of the Alabama Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators and the convention of the Alabama Association for Young Children, where she will serve as program chairman of the convention. Dr. Pollman will make two presentations in February: research study on "Favorite Words Children Want to Learn" at the Alabama Association for Young Children and "Stress and the Child" at Houston Academy.



Along with other TSUD faculty, **Dr. Leonard Roberts** served as a judge for the Alabama Academic Decathlon, and he addressed the Gifted Student Program at Wilson Street Elementary School on "The Culture and History of the American Indian." An interview of **Dr. Roberts** and **Dr. Parsa** appeared in Wiregrass Today on January 8.

**Dr. Mary Eve Shoaf's** Music in Individual Development class was treated to a guest lecture on January 28 by **Richard Burke**. The Music 100 class has been studying the various instruments of the orchestra, and **Burke** demonstrated several pieces of the string section, including a violin, a mandolin, and several guitars. He also played and sang selections from **Lionel Richie**, the Beatles, and **James Taylor**. **Burke** is a member of a folk group at the St. Columba Catholic Church in Dothan.

**Dr. Jack R. Sublette's** recent professional activities include attending the ribbon cutting and open house for the University of Alabama Dothan office; appearing on the television shows of both **Betty Baggott** and **Ann Varnum** to announce the kick-off of the Greater TSUD Development Fund; meeting with others from TSUD with **Dale Hubbard** of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce to preview the video "A Vision for Excellence: Southeast Alabama at the Crossroads"; organizing a press conference to announce the beginning of the capital funds campaign; attending **General Parker's** New Year's Day Reception at Fort Rucker; attending the Dothan Kiwanis meeting; meeting with the TSU System Executive Committee to show the fund-raising video; and attending the ACHE Budget Hearings in Montgomery.

Librarian **Frank Walker** is serving on a task force for the development of multi-type library systems in Alabama. The purpose of the task force is to determine which geographic regions of the state lend themselves to multi-type library cooperation in formal structures. **Mr. Walker** has been invited to speak in March to the Retired Teachers' Association of Crenshaw County. **Mr. Walker** thinks that "he was invited so his former teachers could see how miserably they failed."



Nolan Williams took office in the Alabama Legislature in January, representing the 88th District. During the organizational meetings, Williams was appointed to serve as chairman of the Tourism, Entertainment, and Sports Committee, as a member of the Insurance Committee, and as a member of the powerful Ways and Means Committee. According to Williams, the major concerns of this legislature will be dealing with tort reform and getting education out of proration.

The Alabama Humanities Foundation has named Professor John Woodham of the College of Arts and Sciences a member of its Speakers Bureau for the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. Dr. Woodham will travel to Mobile in February and then to other cities in south Alabama until October 1987 to discuss the politics of the 1787 Philadelphia Convention and the state ratifying conventions. To book speakers, community organizations can contact the Alabama Humanities Foundation staff at 205/324-1314.

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#### TSUD RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Troy State University at Dothan recently received funding from Sikorsky Support Services, Inc., for a scholarship to be presented to a student majoring in business or computer information science. The scholarship will be awarded for the first time for Spring Quarter 1987.

"We are pleased to be able to present this scholarship for deserving local area students," said Sam E. Brown, Manager of Human Resources at Sikorsky. "We will continue the establishment of annual scholarships to the University, and we will be happy to provide additional assistance to TSUD when requested."

The TSUD Scholarship Committee established the criteria for the awarding of the Sikorsky Scholarship and will award the first scholarship in February.

## SEARCH FOR DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the School of Education will be accepted until March 1, 1987. Selection review will begin March 1 and continue until the position is filled. Appointment begins August 1, 1987. Serving on the Search Committee with Thomas Harrison as chairman are the following: Dr. J. Wyatt Grimmer, Dr. Betty Anderson, Dr. Wayne Bradshaw, Dr. Ann Easley, Dr. Priscilla McArthur, and Ms. Judith Mendheim (student representative).

## STATUS OF "HARDEN CASE"

According to Dow T. Huskey, attorney for TSUD, on January 5, 1987, the trial of Harden v. Paul, et al. "began in the United States District Court, Middle District of Alabama, Southern Division, before Judge Robert E. Varner. The plaintiff had claimed, among other things, that his First Amendment right to freedom of speech and his Fifth Amendment due process right had been violated in connection with his proposed termination. After a lengthy trial at which a substantial amount of testimony and documents were presented, Judge Varner took the case under advisement. The facts and the law are complex. It is anticipated Judge Varner will issue his decision and Opinion in February."

## NEWS FROM . . .

### Administration/Business Office

The Business Office and buildings and grounds staff are to be commended for their hard work in preparing the Centennial Ball. A special thank you to Cindy Halcomb and others who assisted.

All employees must complete new W-4's for 1987. Please get the form to Mark McCuistian as soon as possible.



Lana Ward has been absent from work due to the illness of her daughter. Everyone is concerned, and we wish Jennifer a speedy recovery.

On Friday, February 6, the Chamber of Commerce will use the large parking lot bordering Foster and Adams Streets. Please remember to park in other areas.

### Admissions

Effective this quarter duties in the Office of Admissions have been assigned as follows:

Undergraduate Admissions

Robert M. Paul, Jr.  
Director of Admissions  
Ext. 264

Graduate School Admissions

Mrs. Reta Cordell  
Assistant Director  
of Admissions  
Ext. 212

The admissions process includes recruiting, follow-up, processing applications, and issuing the admission status. Once undergraduate students receive an admission status, their record is transferred to the Office of Academic Records.

In addition to her duties in the Admissions Office, Mrs. Cordell also helps in academic records by maintaining the permanent records for all graduate students.

If you have questions concerning a prospective student or an applicant, please contact one of us in the Admissions Office. Either of us is capable of answering questions concerning undergraduate and/or Graduate School admissions. Questions concerning admitted students should be directed to either Mrs. McCuistian (undergraduate) or Mrs. Cordell (graduate).

### Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Barrett asks that all concerned please be patient with us as the workers attempt to put a new roof on the building. The contractor has been delayed by the rain



and cold. We are trying to keep the noise at a minimum and trying not to inconvenience the students any more than possible.

### Counseling Services

Counseling Services will be hosting a speaker from the Alabama State Employment Office on February 9th at 9:00 a.m. in the Placement Office.

Mrs. Williamson would like to remind all faculty and staff to review the tornado and fire evacuation plans which are posted in Houston Hall and other buildings on campus.

### Library

The consolidation of the University's Libraries from two full service libraries, one at Dothan, one at Fort Rucker, to one main library at Dothan and a branch at Fort Rucker appears to have had no adverse effect on the University's mission. Circulation and attendance comparisons of Fall Quarter 1985 (two full service libraries in operation) and Fall Quarter 1986 (one main library, one branch) show no decrease.

	FALL QUARTER 1985	FALL QUARTER 1986
CIRCULATION	11,887	11,999
ATTENDANCE	9,719	12,232

No drop in these statistics would seem to indicate that Fort Rucker students are utilizing the main library at Dothan for materials not located at the Branch at Fort Rucker. While the convenience factor is probably somewhat less for those attending the branch, the Library feels that the extension of weekend hours does provide branch students access.

A new service is being provided by the main library this quarter. There is a room available where a student may smoke, eat or drink while studying. This room seats 12 and may be used for group studying. We ask that those who use this room be responsible for discarding their coke cups, etc.

As you are aware, the University is in the planning stages of building a new campus. One of the first buildings to be built will include a library. If you have suggestions of features you would like in the new library facility, please give them to the Library staff.

### Public Relations

The Office of Public Relations has designed the new eight-page format to be used for the Spring Quarter schedule. The schedule now has more information for students and should provide a more positive image for the University.

In February, the media coordinator plans to present feature articles on the presentation of a grant, the Firegrass Association for Young Children's Student of the Year nomination for state honors, and coverage of the Young Author's Conference.

The Office of Public Relations wants to increase the number of items released to the local media. Please keep Gary Watson informed of all newsworthy events and activities.

### School of Business

The School of Business will award \$500 and \$250 scholarships to undergraduate students and a \$500 scholarship to a graduate student. Student applications were taken in December and January, and recipients will be announced in February. Funds for these awards are being provided by the Business Advisory Council. Several School of Business faculty members are involved in community service activities through the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, other business related organizations, and individual corporations and businesses.

### Student Affairs and Development

The Office of Development of Troy State University at Troy has assigned Mr. Al Childs to the TSUD Office of Development. Mr. Childs will be working with Dr. Lovrich and Dr. Sublette with the Greater TSUD Development Fund



and completing other assignments in development, public relations, and recruiting. With a wealth of diverse professional experiences, Mr. Childs will be able to make significant contributions to the growth and development of TSUD. Please stop by to greet and welcome Al to TSUD. His office is located on the mezzanine in #4.

The Records Office is investigating the possibility of acquiring equipment to microfilm students' academic and financial aid records. If this equipment can be obtained and this procedure effected, the University would have a more efficient system for storing and maintaining students' records.

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### TSU SYSTEM CENTENNIAL GRADUATION

An Ad Hoc Centennial Graduation Committee recommended to Dr. Ralph W. Adams, Chancellor of the TSU System, and Dr. Adams approved the recommendation that there be a system-wide graduation exercise at the end of Spring Quarter 1987 in Memorial Stadium in Troy, on Friday, May 29, 1987, at 10:00 a.m. President Ronald Reagan has been invited to deliver the commencement address. TSUD will participate in this system-wide graduation exercise and will not have a separate exercise of its own for the quarter. More details about TSUD's participation will be forthcoming.

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### COMMITTEE WORK

Under the direction of Dr. Dorinda Van Loo and President Thomas Harrison, a committee of interested faculty and staff members organized to discuss the current development fund drive and the relationship of TSUD to the tri-state community. The committee has met twice and discussed a variety of topics that relate to the growth and development of TSUD. Dr. Van Loo will be providing specific information on the committee's suggestions. The other members of the committee are Dr. Betty Anderson, Dr. Ray Swords, Dr. Mary Eve Shoaf, Dr. Adair Gilbert, Dr. James

Davies, Dr. Priscilla McArthur, Dr. Wayne Bradshaw, Dr. Mary Jo Pollman, Mr. Crawford Buchanan, Dr. Frank Lovrich, and Dr. Jack Sublette.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In future issues of LOGOS, I would like to present brief summaries and highlights of the work of various committees. If you are chairperson of a University standing or ad hoc committee, please send me a copy of the minutes of your meetings.

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ENROLLMENT FOR  
WINTER QUARTER 1987

TSUD has 1,731 total registrations for Winter Quarter 1987. These enrollments represent a .1% increase over Winter Quarter 1986 when the enrollment was 1,709.

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